

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with the Revised Rules under 37 C.F.R. 1.121, please amend the claims as shown below and indicated as "currently amended." Also shown below are claims that may be original, cancelled, withdrawn, previously presented, new, and not entered.

1. (currently amended) An apparatus for maintaining janitorial services information at a facility, including a time when said facility was last cleaned, the apparatus comprising:

a chassis mountable on a wall of said facility being periodically cleaned by a janitorial service;

at least one electronic display on said chassis, said display for displaying said time when said facility was last cleaned;

a central processing unit (CPU) and a clock and connected to said display and for updating said display based on a user-input received from an input device connected to said central processing unit, said user-input being received at a time substantially coterminous with said time when said facility was last cleaned; and

said display ~~displaying~~ ~~configured to continue to display~~ a fixed time corresponding to, ~~being~~ said time when said facility was last cleaned, until said fixed time is changed by receipt of a subsequent user-input.

2. (previously presented) The apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising an additional display for displaying said time when said facility was last cleaned as a date when said facility was last cleaned.

3. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising an additional display for displaying a message relevant to said facility.

4. (original) The apparatus according to claim 3 wherein said message includes a trademark belonging to at least one of said facility and a cleaning services company contracted to maintain said facility.

5. (previously presented) The apparatus according to claim 3 wherein said facility is a public transportation depot and said additional display is operable to display departure and arrival information of transportation vehicles associated with said depot.

6. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said display is based on a technology selected from the group consisting of liquid crystal display technology, organic light emitting diode display technology, thin film electroluminescent display technology, and cholesteric liquid crystal display technology.

7. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said input device is selected from the group consisting of a lock-switch, a magnetic card reader and an RF tag reader.

8. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising an antenna connected to a modem-radio unit which in turn is connected to said CPU, said modem-radio unit operable to communicate with at least one wireless-enabled remote computing device for uploading data corresponding to a history of times when said input device was actuated.

9. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising a data communication port for connected to said CPU, said communication port unit operable to communicate with at least remote computing device for uploading data corresponding to a history of times when said input device was actuated.

10. (original) The apparatus according to claim 9 wherein said remote computing device is operable to update said clock.

11. (original) The apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising a self-contained power-supply within said apparatus for powering said apparatus includes a solar panel.

12. (currently amended) An apparatus for maintaining service information at a facility, including a time when said facility was last serviced, the apparatus comprising:

a chassis mountable on a surface of said facility being maintained by said service;
at least one display on said chassis, said display for displaying said time when said facility was last serviced;

a central processing unit (CPU) and a clock connected to said display and for updating said display based on a user-input received at a time substantially coterminous with said time when said facility was last serviced; and

said display ~~displaying being configured to continue to display~~ a fixed time corresponding to, ~~being~~ said time when said facility was last serviced, until said fixed time is changed by receipt of a subsequent user input.

13. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 12, further comprising an additional display for displaying messages.

14. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein said display is based on a technology selected from the group consisting of: liquid crystal display (LCD), organic light emitting diode (OLED), thin film electroluminescent and cholesteric liquid crystal display.

15. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein said user-input is received from an input device, said input device being selected from the group consisting of: a lock-switch, a button, a magnetic card reader, an RF tag reader, a barcode reader, a wireless device, a cellular phone and any combination thereof.

16. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 12, further comprising a wireless communications unit connected to said CPU, said wireless communications unit operable to communicate with at least one remote computing device for uploading data corresponding to a history of times when said input device was actuated.

17. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein said uploading of said data occurs at a time substantially coterminous with when said input device is actuated.

18. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein said remote computing device is a server capable of monitoring multiple instances of said apparatus.

19. (currently amended) A method of maintaining service information at a facility, including a time when said facility was last serviced, comprising the steps of:

a) providing a display at said facility, said display operative to display said time when said facility was last serviced;

b) updating said display automatically via a user-input, said user-input being substantially coterminous with said time when said facility was last serviced; and

c) displaying a fixed time corresponding to,~~being~~ said time when said facility was last serviced, until said fixed time is changed by a re-occurrence of step b).

20. (previously presented) The method of claim 19, further including a step of displaying messages on said display, said messages containing additional information.

21. (previously presented) The method of claim 19, further including a step of uploading data corresponding to a history of service times for said facility to at least one remote computing device.

22. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said uploading step occurs at a time substantially coterminous with when said facility was last serviced.

23. (previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein said service information is janitorial service information.